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# MCMR certifies state fish records

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources certified two state recreational saltwater fishing records during its May 21 meeting.

Both records were set using conventional tackle.

Samuel Sandoz of Biloxi broke the record for Tilefish with an 18-pound, 4.17-ounce fish he caught on April 3. The previous record was 14 pounds, 8 ounces and was set in 2011.

Jason Jones of Biloxi established a state record for Lionfish, which he caught Feb. 7. The fish weighed 1 pound, 11.20 ounces.

### **Photos courtesy Mississippi Department of Marine Resources**

1. Samuel Sandoz of Biloxi broke the state record for Tilefish.



#### 2. Jason Jones of Biloxi established a state record for Lionfish.



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